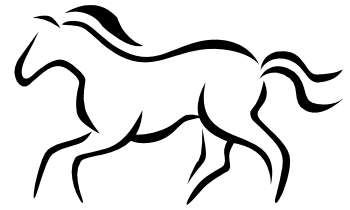




St. Joseph County, MI 4-H HORSE COUNCIL



Meeting Minutes June 27, 2018

President: Diane Zinsmaster (Desperados)

Secretary: Bobbi Newland (Driving & In-Hand)

Vice President: Danielle Sackrider (Tumbleweed & Driving/In Hand)

Deputy Treasurer: Shirel Hart (Gymkhana)

Treasurer: Jaime Terry (Trailblazers)

4-H Office: Eva Beeker

Clubs & Specialty Areas: **Desperados:** Kris Barga, Ally Barga, Tori Barga Wendy & Brian Wonders **Town & Country:** Sara Franklin Connie & Scott Miracle **Tumbleweed:** Andrea Littlefield, Pam Cook, Cindy & Samantha Sigman **Trail Blazers:** Melissa Clark **Cloverbud:** Katie Staples **Competitive Trail:** Tereasa Hufsteder **Dressage & Jumping:** Sharon Jones **Driving:** Cassie Lewis **Gymkhana:** None **Reining:** None

Guests: None

- **Call Meeting to Order:** HC President Diane Zinsmaster called mtg to order at 6:39 PM.
- Pledges: 4-H Pledge & Pledge of Allegiance were recited.
- **Approval of Agenda:** Motion to approve the agenda by Samantha Sigman, Second by Shirel Hart. Motion carried.
- **Introduction of Visitors:** None
- **Approval of June 5, 2018 HC Meeting Minutes:** Motion by Connie Miracle to approve the meeting minutes, second by Sara Franklin.
- **Secretary's Report:** No correspondence received
- **Treasurer's Report:** Beginning balance: \$5,404.39
- Expenses: \$200 and \$50 to Sabrina Griffith for the Prairie Pony award
- Withdraws: State Qualifier Start Up \$150
- Deposit: \$810
- New bills: State Qualifier Ribbon \$207.00 & Show Material/ Supplies \$60.93. Motion to reimburse Danielle Sackrider for State Qualifier Ribbons and Show Material by Shirel Hart, second by Tereasa Hufstader. Motion carried.
- **Public Comment-** None.
- **Leader Comment-** Danielle Sackrider shared that the driving & in-hand workouts have been going well. Turnout from cloverbuds has been good. Sharon Jones reminded exhibitors that they need to review the new rules to qualify for jumping and dressage. Connie Miracle requested that leaders and specialty leaders keep & share a list of kids that attend county wide workouts.
- **Board Comment-** none
- **Discussion/Action Items:**
- Job List for Shows- HC is still looking for 4-H members to volunteer at the upcoming shows.
- **Any committee Updates-**None
- **Pony Measuring-**Final date was June 19th, 2018. Any pony or miniature horse that was not measured will need to be shown as a horse.
- **Clark Belt Buckle-**Kim Clark proposed new rules for the Clark Memorial High Point Award. Exhibitors will now be eligible to win the award twice but only in a different division. For example, if someone wins the quarter horse buckle they will be eligible to win in the pony division. Points will still be awarded in showmanship, horsemanship, bareback, english equitation, western/english riding pattern. Reining and saddleseat equitation will also be added. Riders must participate in at least seven classes to be considered.
- Motion by Cindy Sigman to approve the Clark Memorial High Point Award as presented for 2018 Fair, second by Samantha Sigman. Motion carried

- **2018 Show update**
- State Qualifier Show- Due to weather conditions the State Qualifier Show was cancelled. The committee created a points system from recommendations based on the Delegate Packet issued by MSUE in Lansing. Points were given for an exhibitors age, if they have been a teen leader, previous state horse show experience, participation in horse judging, participation in exploration days, if an exhibitor was a 4H Summer Camp Counselor, and any other 4-H activities.
- Motion by Connie Miracle to approve selection of state delegates with proposed point system, second by Wendy Wonders. Motion carried.
- State Show Delegates: Ally Barga, Torie Barga, McKenzie Borst, Mari Clark, Brook Gabbard, Kourtney Hargett, Caitlynn Hughes, Allison Littlefield, Ben Littlefield, Brady Littlefield, Brianna (McNess) Henney, Bailey Miracle, Ashley Morell, Jami Myers, Kali Reeg, Megan Schlabach, Sam Sigman, Sam Smith, Kali Wesse, Mikayla Wilcox, Brandon Williamson, Megan Wisk and Megan Zinsmaster. Alternates: 1st Olivia Cannizaro, 2nd Desiree Sefcik, 3rd Taylor Mailhot 4th Jillian Koenig. Alexis Losik was not eligible since the State Show does not offer walk/trot classes.
- Driving State Show Delegates: Jada Bauman, Gunner Bunning, Olivia Cannizaro, Morgan Eckert, Sabrina Griffith, Kadence Jennett, Loretta Johnloz, Allison Littlefield, Brady Littlefield, Brianna (McNees) Henney, Kali Reeg, Zach Sackrider, Megan Schlabach, Samantha Sigman. *** Note: If you believe you were left off the driving and in-hand delegate list in error. Please contact Bobbi Newland or Danielle Sackrider.
- State Show cost \$65 per exhibitor. Motion was made by Connie Miracle to pay half of one entry per exhibitor. The exhibitor will be required to pay \$32.50. Motion was second by Jaime Terry. Motion failed with 10 votes for no and 7 votes for yes.
- Motion was made by Bobbi Newland to pay half of each state delegates entry, second by Cassie Lewis. Motion was passed
- **Ribbons:** Motion was made by Tereasa Hufstader to purchase ribbons for the driving and pleasure fundraiser show, second by Pam Cook
- Gymkhana Fundraiser Show- July 7th at Horsemans
- Driving Fundraiser Show-July 28th at Fairgrounds with Melissa Nykos/ Dana Saxton
- Pleasure Fundraiser Show-July 29 at Fairgrounds with Kathi Schroeder
- Awards- Several awards receive points from the State Qualifier Show. Since the show was cancelled a motion was made to start counting points for the Prairie Pony Award, English High Points Award at the Driving and Pleasure Fundraiser Show. The horse with the most heart award will also start counting points at the Gymkhana Fundraiser Show but a bump up system will be used to remove non-St. Joseph County kids from the point system. Motion by Samantha Sigman to approve as presented, second by Ally Barga. Motion carried with 11 yes and 5 no.
- 4-H Summer Camp-July 11-13
- Eva update-
 - St. Joseph County MSU extension will be participating in a tour with 30 4H kids from Virginia Tech
 - St. Joseph County MSU Extension will also be participating in a tour with 60 kids from Houghton County. The kids will visit an Amish lumber yard, Amish dairy farm and have an Amish style dinner
 - Eva is on an International 4H Program Committee. The Program will be working with four international students. Two students from Japan, one from Poland and one from Beliz
 - 53 kids participated in exploration days this year and had a great time
 - Youth Council is looking for volunteer for the Milk Barn this year
 - September HC meeting will be held August 28, 2018 @ 6:30 PM
- Adjournment: Motion by Zachary Sackrider, second by Sharon Jones 8:38 PM

Next meeting: August 7, 2018 @ 6:30pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Bobbi Newland